

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 3286 – SB 3189**

March 8, 2010

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (014090, 014945):** Redefines “stillbirth” to mean an unintended, intrauterine fetal death after a gestational age of not less than 20 weeks or with a weight of 350 grams or more. Requires the Department of Health to inform applicable persons or entities licensed by the Department of the requirements of the section at the time of licensure. Makes a technical correction to the original bill to delete the subsection instead of the subdivision authorizing the issuance of a certified copy of the fetal death report for those fetal deaths occurring in the third trimester to parents included in the report.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Increase State Revenue – \$4,000  
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

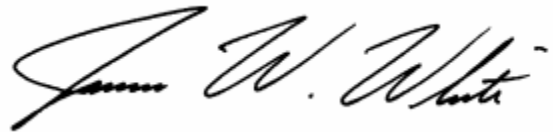
Assumptions applied to amendments:

- The revised definition of “stillbirth” is consistent with the fetal death occurrences that the provisions of the original bill required to be reported to the Office of Vital Records.
- The estimated fiscal impact of the original bill was based on certificates of birth resulting in still births being issued for those fetal deaths that were reported to the Office of Vital Records.
- Changing the requirement for the Department of Health to only notify applicable licensees will not have a significant impact on expenditures.

- The fiscal impact of the original bill was based on the deletion of the Department's authority to issue certified copies of the fetal death report to parents. Deleting the subdivision instead of the subsection will not change the estimated fiscal impact of the original bill because the remainder of the subsection authorized the Department to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement the issuance of certified copies of the fetal death report to parents.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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